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As incredible as this is just a I am the owner , the very proud owner I might add , of a dog named Buddy which is Desmond son. But he has been my son for 4 years. He was rescued from the boy Alex 4 years ago after the murder of Desmond. My name is April Barrett. I am from East Haven Connecticut. To me buddy is my whole world, he is a part of the family. He laughs when I laugh and he cries when i cry that is if he lets me cry. Buddy has always been there for me and I've never thought of animals as a lower species I always found them loved ones. I can never watch an animal go through what this desmond has gone through and then see somebody walk away without a care n the world like what they did was Okay. I find it completely barbaric and unfair. I'm 24 years old and I've had this dog since I was 20 he has saved me each and every day of every year that he has been a part of my life. I can honestly say most of the people that I know in my life that I surround myself with treat their animals with the love and compassion the way you would want to be treated. My family members my friends even put their dogs their cats their animals in their Christmas cards their holiday cards they celebrate their birthdays they are alive and they should be treated as so.

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